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SUBJECT: INVITATION FOR BIDS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF  
PILOT PHASE OF MOZAMBIQUE RESEARCH AND EDUCATION NETWORK  
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Trade Opportunity Information  
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[1](#)7. The Government of Mozambique has received a credit from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development toward the cost of Higher Education Project (Science and Technology component, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit to payments under the contract for implementation of the Pilot Phase of the Mozambique Research and Education Network MoRENet. This contract will be jointly financed by United Nations Development Program. Bidding will be governed by the World Bank's eligibility rules and procedures. The Ministry of Science and Technology (MST) now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for provision of equipment and services for construction of the pilot phase of MoRENet.

MoRENNet will be established to become a service provider for national Higher Education and Research Institutions and intends to provide high quality connectivity services and a shared platform for introduction of services for the national higher education and innovation system on non commercial basis. The pilot phase of the network consists of the Network Operating Center (NOC) and the Maputo Wireless Network for interconnecting Universities and Research Institutions into a shared network infrastructure. The NOC items include server infrastructures, firewalls, routers, switches and the necessary server room equipment and the Maputo Wireless Network high speed backhaul links and client connections to nine member institutions at 10 different sites in Maputo city. Both the Network Operating Center and the Maputo Wireless Network are projected to be operational by the end of July 2008.

18. Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedures specified in the World Bank's Guidelines: Procurement under IBRC Loans and IDA credits, and is open to all bidders from eligible source countries as defined in the Guidelines describing the competitive Bidding rules and procedures. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from the ministry of Science and technology by contacting the procurement officer at the contact information given above, and inspect the Bidding Documents at the address on Item 6B between 08:00 and 15:00 hours (local time). Qualifications requirements include: 1. technically competent human resources (minimum 3 certified or highly experienced staff members) and strong reference history from similar projects over the last three years (minimum two projects), 2. equipment manufacturers' certification for representing and supporting proposed equipment during

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and after the installation process and, 3. to have solid financial background for securing successful implementation of the project. Additional details will be provided in the Bidding Documents.

19. A complete set of Bidding Documents in English may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the address above and upon payment of a non refundable fee of 500MZM or USD 20. The payment will be made in a form of cashier's check directed to Ministry of Science and technology. Bidding documents may be acquired from the Ministry of Science and Technology (at the same address). Bids must be delivered at the address of the Ministry of Science and Technology at or before April 21, 2008 at 15:00 (local time). Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend in person at the address on Item 6B, in the Sala de Conselhos at the Ministry of Science and Technology. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security accordingly:

Whole project: 68.000 MZM

Lot 1: 20,000 MZM Network Operating Center servers and equipment and server and backup solutions for MCT

Lot 2: 8.000 MZM Network operating center and member routers and switches

Lot 3: 40.000 MZM MoRENNet Maputo Wireless Network equipment and services

A presentation about the project and an opportunity to visit the project sites shall be organized on following date and time at the Centro de Desenvolvimento Tecnológico located at Av. Base N'Tchinga, 210 in Maputo:

Thursday, March 20, 2008 at 009:00 (local time)

The companies interested to participate in the presentation and field visit should confirm their participation to the Bid contact person.

¶10. For more information on this or other trade and investment matters in Mozambique, please contact us at:

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